

Beaverton Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee - Minutes

Tuesday, October 9th, 2:30 p.m.
Beaverton City Hall
Council Chambers

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Members Present: Judith Auslander, Cathy Leong, Helen Robinson, Gail Miller, Liz Fischer,

Aaron Poarch, William (Bill) Johnson and Carolyn Best

Elsie Stuhr Representative and Committee Member: Laurel Reilly

Staff Liaison: Jim Brooks

Council Liaison: Marc San Soucie

<u>Permanent Guests</u>: Kimberly Lindemann (Visiting Angels)

Guests: Beverlee Ryan, Julie Weber – Program Coordinator at DAVS

Approval of September Minutes: Minutes were approved.

Agenda

<u>Guest Speakers</u>: Andrea Nelson, Beaverton CDBG Coordinator – senior & low cost housing – <u>anelson@beavertonoregon.gov</u>

Two projects in the works – still waiting for funding. Barcelona, near SS office – 48 units of affordable housing/studio to 2 bedrooms. Would also include market rate housing. Keep diversity in income levels. Second unit in development near Dairy Queen. Turtle Island Development which builds affordable housing. 166 units on the block – over 80% available for low income. Both will be intergenerational. Cornelius area building also in process of thinking about. When they will be completed is unknown at this time with 2014 being the earliest of ground breaking. Knoll in Tigard is for 55 and up and very successful. Over near Orenco another 55 and over affordable housing is being built. When available notices will be posted to apply.

There is much more need then housing available. Very little vacancy. To help with search can look on HousingConnections.org helps with finding affordable housing. Can search by geography and/or school district. People usually want someplace close to where they currently live.

Section 8 is opening up in Multnomah County on November 1st.

There are 3 successful programs available in Beaverton for those who need help with their home: Adapt a Home, Mend a Home (predominately for mobile homes), Hope 4 Homes, Energy Efficiency Loan Program (2.9% interest for 5 years).

Spoke with Senator Merkley's staff: There may be an 8% cut across the board – all kinds of assistance will be cut. To address aging in place working on accessibility for all mobility's. Looking into finding out more about the Village-to-Village movement.

Poverty rate in Beaverton has jumped. We are higher than Hillsboro. Many experiencing emergency assistance to pay rent.

Also, working on housing for homeless youth.

Updates:

Elsie Stuhr Health & Wellness Fair review – Laurel Down on for-profit companies with tables. Numbers of attendees was also done. Rummage sale was also down. Suggested have a pay pre-show on Thursday.

Councilor Marc San Soucie – council update

- Business awards tonight
- Police and court facility will be discussing in closed session
- City successful at getting a new grant from CDC \$1.6 million for health center for health agencies
 to provide long-term home (i.e. Virginia Garcia), and to be housed together. Westgate property
 may work for this. Also, got HUD grant for Cedar Hills, Hall Blvd, and Canyon Blvd. Another from
 ODOT and storm water improvement especially Beaverton Creek which does not have a
 sufficient pollutant catch basin.
- Mayor will sign a lease with Suzanne Bonamichi to rent about 2500 square feet of space at the Round.
- Voters forum on Thursday.
- Saturday, Soup's On to benefit OFB
- Saturday, Nov. 3rd art festival at the library with wine
- Sunday, Nov. 11th Veterans Day celebration

Medicare Forum -

So far only 13 people have registered. We should be there at 9AM.

Next week talk about future forums.

Election of new officers in November -

Suggested to have a nominating committee who suggest people to run. Call those people who are nominated and ask if they want to run. Laurel, Judith and Helen volunteered to be on the committee.

Beaverton Business Directory – schedule - November Judith will write for one on VAN meeting.

December – Helen will do on Medicare forum

Speaker schedule – November speaker Shared Housing – Jim will contact

Closing comments

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 13, 2012